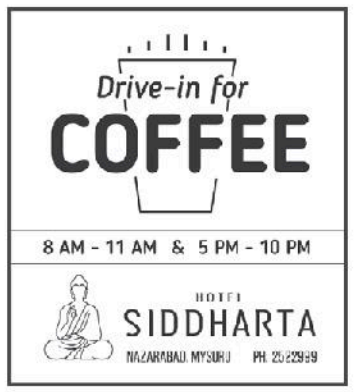

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Dasara 2023 to avoid extravagance: Minister

It will neither be 'grand' nor 'simple' but a 'traditional' celebration

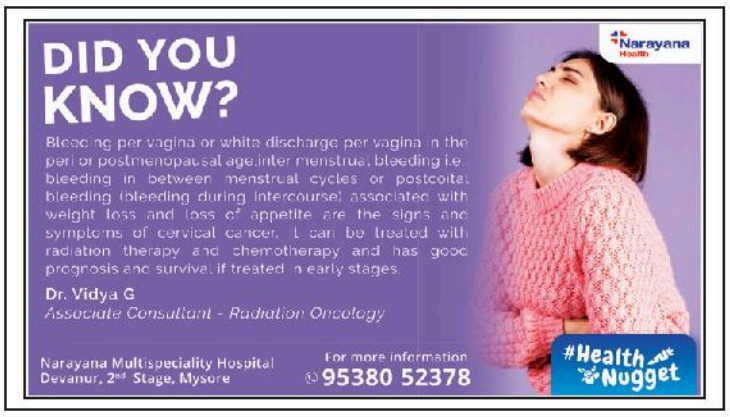
District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa addressing the press meet in city yesterday as MCC Commissioner Ashaad-ur-Rahman Shariff, City Police Commissioner Ramesh Banoth and DC Dr. K.V. Rajendra look on.

Mysuru, Sept. 24 (PM&BCT)- In response to mounting pressure from stakeholders in the tourism sector, District Minister H.C. Mahadevappa has announced that Mysuru Dasara will no longer be categorised as either 'simple' or 'grand.' Instead, it will be 'traditional' Dasara adhering to the historic essence of the festival.

During a press briefing following the meeting of Dasara Executive Committee, Minister Dr. Mahadevappa clarified that certain Dasara events would be scaled down as a cost-cutting measure, primarily due to the severe drought situation affecting Karnataka. The Government's response to the ongoing water scarcity crisis includes the declaration of 195 taluks as drought-hit areas.

Previously, tourism stakeholders, including the Mysuru Hotel Owners' Association, expressed their dissatisfaction with Dr. Mahadevappa's earlier statement in which he referred to the celebration as a 'simple' Dasara.

(See DASARA 2023 on page 7)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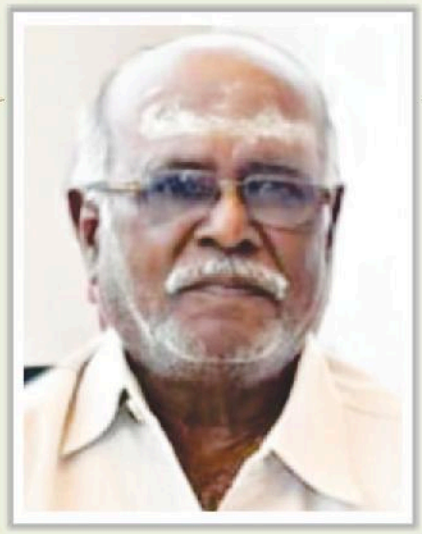

K. Rajashekaran Chettiar

Industrialist

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- Grieving: Wife, Sons, Daughters, Sons-in-law, Daughters-in-law and Grand children

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Sunday 24th September 2023

Students showcase talent
at inter-school drawing contest

Mysuru, Sept. 24- In a harmonious blend of creativity and education, renowned artist Badal Nanjundaswamy inaugurated the inter-school drawing competition at KNC Innovative Global School in Hebbal here recently.

The event presided over by School Chairman Dr. K.N. Chandrashekhar and Principal Joseph Frank, brought together budding artists from various schools to showcase their talents.

The competition transcended traditional boundaries by fostering artistic collaboration among students from various schools.

Badal Nanjundaswamy, a famous visual artist, celebrated for his innovative and thought-provoking visual art, saw this event as an opportunity to encourage creativity and imagination among the students.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

The proposed 33% reservation for women in Parliament and Assemblies is linked to the next Census and delimitation, which adds an additional import. The next one will also be the first digital census giving citizens an opportunity to "self-enumerate." During self-enumeration, Aadhaar or mobile number will be mandatorily collected. Around 30 lakh government officials including school teachers will be assigned as enumerators and each will be assigned the responsibility to collect details of about 650-800 people through both online and offline modes covering an estimated population of more than 140 crore. In normal course, completion of both the phases of the Census takes at least 11 months.

Meanwhile, the quality and mechanism of population level data collection are evolving fast, thanks to technology. The Registration of Births and Deaths (Amendment) Act, 2023 that will come into effect on October 1 will help a centralised population register, electoral register, Aadhaar, ration card, passport and driving licence databases. The centrally stored data will be updated real time without human interface leading to addition and deletion from electoral roll when an individual turns 18 and after death, respectively. Rather than trying to weaponise categorisation and counting of people, the government must take States and parties into confidence on all the issues around the Census. — *In The Hindu*

NEWS SPARKLERS

The world's largest moth

Hong Kong: The Atlas moth (Attacus Atlas) is a large moth found in the tropical and sub-tropical forests of Southeast Asia, southern China, common across the Malay archipelago, Thailand to Indonesia.

These moths are considered the largest in the world in terms of total wing surface area (65 square inches). In Hong Kong the Cantonese name translates as "snake's head moth", referring to apical extension of the forewing, which bears a passing resemblance to a snake's head.

Another interesting characteristic of the Atlas moth is that it doesn't have fully developed mouth-parts, so it can't feed... ever. It survives on the larval fat reserves, throughout their entire 1-2 weeks adult lives.

Painting bought for $4 sells for $191,000

New Hampshire: A painting purchased from a New Hampshire thrift store for 4 dollars was auctioned for 1,91,000 dollars when it turned out to be a long-lost work by N.C. Wyeth.

The painting, titled Ramona, was one of four created by the Pennsylvania-based artist for a 1939 edition of Helen Hunt Jackson's 1884 book Ramona. The work depicts an orphaned young woman in conflict with her foster mother.

Auction house Bonhams Skinner said the painting was considered long-lost by Wyeth experts, but it turned up in the possession of a New Hampshire woman.

The woman discovered the painting's true identity after she posted a photo of it on Facebook and was urged to contact curators at the Brandywine Museum in Chadds Ford, Pa., and a former Wyeth curator in Maine named Lauren Lewis.

HEALTH CAPSULE

MYTH - Don't breastfeed the baby when you have fever.
FACT - Baby won't catch illness through breastmilk, in fact it will contain mother's antibodies which are passed to the baby through breastmilk. Mother can still breastfeed if they have cold, flu, diarrhoea, vomiting or mastitis, keep breastfeeding as normal.

By Vinutha S - Lactation Counsellor
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

manipalhospitals
LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

No power supply tomorrow

Mysuru, Sept. 24- As the Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) will be taking up the 2nd quarterly maintenance works at KHB and DMG Halli Power Distribution Centres, power supply will be disrupted tomorrow between 10 am and 6pm in the following areas:

KHB Power Distribution Centre: Vijayanagar 4th Stage, KHB Colony, Hootagalli, Belwadi, Basavanapura, Maratikythanahali, Panchacharya Layout, K. Hemmanahalli, Lingadevarakoppal, Yelwal, Hootagalli, KRS Road, Aditya Layout, SRS Colony, Koorgalli, NHB Colony, Belwadi Industrial Area, Hootagalli Industrial Area, Koorgalli Industrial Area, Hinkal, surrounding areas of SVEI College and Jattihundi.

DMG Halli Power Distribution Centre: Kamarahalli, Manikyapura, Doddahattihundi, Mariyayyanahundi, Kattehundi, Shettynayanakahalli and surrounding areas, according to CESC Executive Engineer VV Mohalla.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM	KABINI DAM	HARANGI DAM
Maximum **124.80 feet**	Maximum **2,284.00 feet**	Maximum **2,859.00 feet**
Today's level **96.80 feet**	Today's level **2,274.70 feet**	Today's level **2,855.94 feet**
Last year's level **124.32 feet**	Last year's level **2,282.99 feet**	Last year's level **2,857.64 feet**
Yesterday's level **96.90 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,275.01 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,856.41 feet**
Today's Inflow **6,156 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **3,061 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **992 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **6,874 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **4,890 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **2,800 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- *Some moths do not have mouths.*
- *Not all moths eat, but they are often eaten.*
- *Moths are attracted to light bulbs, bananas and beer.*
- *Male moths have a remarkable sense of smell.*
- *In North America alone, there are approximately 3,000 known species of owlet moths.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

A Manager cracks a joke. Every one in the team laughs expect one guy...
Manager asks him: ***Did you not understand the joke?***
The guy replies: ***I resigned yesterday!***

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 83.10
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 101.71
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 22.63
1 Euro	= Rs. 88.69

VOICE OF THE READER

Pathetic condition of kids play area in public park

Sir,

The kids play area in Vijayanagar First Stage public park in front of Sri Yoganarasimhaswamy Temple is in a deplorable condition and needs immediate attention.

It is disheartening to see the neglect and disregard for the safety and well-being of our kids in such a community space.

The play equipment is old, rusty and desperately needs repair. Swings are broken, slides are chipped and dangerous, and the climbing structures are unstable. This poses a risk to children who visit the park to play. The park is a public space meant for enjoyment and development of children.

I request the authorities concerned to look into the issue as early as possible and make the play area child-friendly.

—Shalini Ashok
Vijayanagar
21.9.2023

Special Handloom Expo begins at JSS Mysore Urban Haat

Mysuru Zilla Panchayat (ZP) CEO K.M. Gayathri inaugurating Special Handloom Expo Samskruthi-Hathkargha-2023, organised by Cauvery Handlooms, Bengaluru and Department of Handloom, Textile and Commerce, Government of Karnataka, JSS Mahavidyapeetha, at JSS Mysore Urban Haat in Hebbal on Sept. 22. Handloom & Textile Department-Bengaluru Director N. Sridhar, JSS Mahavidyapeetha Executive Secretary Dr. C.G. Betsurmath, Cauvery Handlooms-Bengaluru President B.J. Ganesh, Managing Director R. Lingaraj, JSS Mahavidyapeetha Publications Wing Director Prof. Morabada Mallikarjuna, General Administration Division Director Shankarappa, Finance Division Director Puttasubbappa, Weavers' Service Centre (Ministry of. Textiles, Government of India) Assistant Director Marimuthu and Deputy Director C. Janardhan were present. The expo will be open between 10.30 am and 9 pm till Oct. 6.

Senior RSS Swayam Sevak K.P. Pradyumna passes away

Mysuru, Sept. 24- K.P. Pradyumna (68), a senior Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) swayam sevak and a resident of SBM Colony in Srirampura here, passed away following a massive heart attack yesterday evening.

Pradyumna

He leaves behind his wife, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill this morning, according to family sources.

Pradyumna, who was a RSS volunteer since his student days, took voluntary retirement as SBM Lead District Manager to work for strengthening the organisation. He also served as the Secretary of Ojas Public Charitable Trust, where he provided free food and boarding to poor rural students besides preparing them for UPSC exams.

He was also holding Personality Development camps for college students.

Obituary

Basavanna

Mysuru, Sept. 24- Basavanna (92), retired Dafedar at MCC Commissioner's Office and a resident of Basaveshwara Road in Rajendranagar, passed away yesterday in city.

He leaves behind his wife, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Veerashaiva Burial Grounds here this afternoon.

Cheluvegowda

Cheluvegowda (73), a resident of Maratikyathanahalli in the taluk, passed away yesterday night at the village.

He leaves behind his wife Lakshmamma, sons Suresh, Rama and Venkatesh, daughter Latha and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at the family's farm land in the village this afternoon.

H.R. Hariprasad

Nanjangud: H.R. Hariprasad (51), a resident of Haniyamballi village in Nanjangud taluk, passed away yesterday in the village.

He leaves behind his mother Puttachinnamma, wife Ningamani, children Nikhil, Poornima and Madan Kumar and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at the village.

Marking the centenary milestone

Mysore Medical College to design Dasara tableau

Mysuru, Sept. 24 (RK&BCT)- As the Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMC&RI) celebrates its centenary in 2024 and plans a series of activities extending into the next year, the institute is preparing to display a tableau in the Dasara procession on Vijayadashami Day, highlighting its various milestones over the years.

It is one of the oldest medical colleges in the country, established in 1924 by the visionary Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar and the tableau will honour the MMC&RI's illustrious 100-year history. The centenary tableau is being readied for inclusion in the annual Vijayadashami procession, an event that is renowned worldwide due to its rich historical and cultural significance.

Recently, Chief Minister Siddharamaiah released the centenary logo. Dean and Director of MMC&RI Dr. K.R. Dakshayani has confirmed the institution's participation in this year's procession with a dedicated tableau highlighting its century-long journey.

The tableau will showcase the institute's evolution and accomplishments over the past century. It will also unveil future plans and projects with a theme

1962 batch proposes installation of Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar's statue inside K.R. Hospital

'past, present and future.'

"We have already informed the Mysuru District Administration about the tableau and will be ready with the component presentation to the Dasara Special Officer (Deputy Commissioner) and the District Minister. We are awaiting approvals to begin the work at the ground level," she said.

"In addition to the tableau, we are meticulously planning a year-long series of events for the centenary celebrations. They include lectures, conferences and talks by experts," she said.

Dr. Dakshayani said that the alumni of the 1962 batch have come forward with a gesture by proposing the installation of a statue of Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar in the premises of K.R. Hospital as a tribute to the visionary Maharaja. Moreover, other alumni groups are also devising their own centenary commemoration plans, she added.

MMC&RI holds the distinction of being the 7th Medical College in the country and the first in Karnataka to achieve this remarkable centenary milestone. Every year, the institute produces 150 doctors and the medicos who have passed out are serving the nation and abroad under various capacities.

Both the college and its associated hospitals — K.R. Hospital and Cheluvamba Hospital — are housed in heritage buildings constructed nearly a century ago. At present, significant efforts are underway, involving an investment of Rs. 89 crore, to meticulously restore the dilapidated structures.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Bus facility to Deekshabhoomi

Department of Social Welfare is providing bus facilities to the pilgrims of Deekshabhoomi, in Nagpur, Maharashtra. Those who want to avail the facility can submit their applications through Department website: https://www.sw.kar.nic.in. The last date for submitting applications is Oct. 10. For more information visit the office of Joint Director, Social Welfare Department, Mysuru.

Getting impure water? Inform VVWW

Vani Vilas Water Works (VVWW) and Undergound Drainage (UGD) division of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC), is supplying pure drinking water to areas under its jurisdiction from various sources. All necessary precautions are being taken in this connection. In case, the contaminated water is getting mixed with drinking water, the public are requested to inform VVWW office on 94498-41196 or 0821-2418849 or through e-mail: ***eevvww2012@gmail.com,*** according to a press release issued by Executive Engineer of VVWW.

Applications invited

The Rashtriya Computer Saksharatha Samithi, Mysuru Division, has invited applications for Python and Java training. Students with PUC and above qualification, job-seekers and those interested in learning may attend this training. Sept. 30 is the last day to register for these classes which will be held online and offline also. For applications contact SS IT Solutions in Ramakrishnanagar or contact Mob: 83103-06882 or 99647-90442.

Student scholarship

Krishik Sarvodaya Foundation, Bengaluru has invited applications from meritorious and deserving poor students belonging to economically backward sections of rural areas, for availing student scholarship to pursue higher education. The applicants must be from rural areas and children of Micro farmers who own less than an hectare of dry land or children of agricultural labourers. Also, the applicants must have studied up to Tenth standard in rural schools. The interested eligible students can apply to Krishik Sarvodaya Foundation, No.15, Golf View road, Off Airport road, Kodihalli, Bengaluru-560008, before Oct. 31. The students should download the prescribed application form from the Foundation website — ***www.ksfkarnataka.com.*** For details, contact Ph: 080-25202299, according to a press release.

MLA Srivatsa pins blame on Congress-DMK alliance

'Karnataka people made scapegoats to save I.N.D.I.A. bloc for upcoming Lok Sabha polls'

Mysuru, Sept. 24 (BLU&BCT)- Accusing the Congress-led Government in Karnataka offailure in handling the Cauvery water issue following the Supreme Court's refusal to intervene in orders to release water to Tamil Nadu, Krishnaraja MLA T.S. Srivatsa accused the Congress High Command of arm-twisting Karnataka to release water to foster the alliance of I.N.D.I.A. bloc of which the Tamil Nadu ruling party DMK is a part of.

"Tamil Nadu CM M.K. Stalin, using his I.N.D.I.A. connections spoke to Congress General Secretary K.C. Venugopal, who is close to Rahul Gandhi, asking him to persuade Karnataka to release Cauvery water to Tamil Nadu. It was on Venugopal's instructions that Karnataka Water Resources Minister D.K. Shivakumar ordered the water release. For CM Siddharamaiah and Shivakumar, alliance with DMK is more important than the interests of the people of Karnataka," he said.

Srivatsa was speaking to reporters at City BJP office yesterday even as protests have broken out against the Congress Government across the Cauvery belt. "With the approaching Lok Sabha elections, the Congress thought it was prudent to oblige an ally, even at the cost of antagonising the people of Karnataka. Shivakumar and Siddharamaiah are ready to make the people of Karnataka scapegoats," the MLA alleged.

He expressed his dissatisfaction with the Government's handling of the situation. He remarked that the Government failed to present a strong argument, indicating a lack of preparation on the part of the Law and Water Resources Departments.

He urged the Chief Minister to file an appeal before the Supreme Court, requesting an assessment of water levels in the reservoirs and a factual evaluation of the situation.

He emphasised the need to present these findings to the Supreme Court so that the State could comply with its orders.

He also suggested that the Karnataka Government should engage in dialogue with Tamil Nadu, especially given that the Congress's ally, DMK, is in power there.

Attacking the Siddharamaiah Government for sacrificing the interests of state farmers for political gain, MLA Srivatsa saidthat "There was a 60 to 70 percent shortfall in rains this year leading to scarce storage in reservoirs and drought-like situation across Karnataka."

Mayor Shivakumar, Deputy Mayor Dr. G. Roopa, District BJP President Mangala Somashekar, BJP Spokesperson M. Mohan and others were present.

Government should observe Ramaswamy Memorial Day: Former MLA Nagendra

Ramaswamy

Mysuru, Sept. 24 (DM)- Former MLA L. Nagendra said that at a time when the State is celebrating the 50th anniversary of renaming of the State as Karnataka (previously Mysore State), the Government should observe Martyrs Day in memory of Ramaswamy and other freedom fighters of the State who laid down their lives.

He was speaking at the 76th death anniversary of freedom fighter Ramaswamy at a programme organised under the aegis of Yuva Bharat Sanghatane at Ramaswamy Circle on JLB road here on recently.

Nagendra said that Ramaswamy of Banavara, a teenaged student, was killed at this spot on Sept.13,1947 when the then Deputy Commissioner of Mysuru Nagaraj Rao fired when Ramaswamy attempted to hoist the National flag during the Mysore Chalo movement, a post-independence movement that began with people from several parts of the State descending on the city demanding installation of a democratic Government, precisely known as 'Javabdari Sarkara' (Responsible Government).

He further said that two other students — Toranayaka and Ranga — too were killed in the incident. The heroics of the martyred students continues to be an inspiration for the younger generation of today in respect of patriotism and nationalism, he added.

Mayor Shivakumar said that the Ramaswamy Circle will be developed with private participation. He recalled the heroics of Ramaswamy and two martyred fellow students during the Mysore Chalo movement that won independence to the erstwhile Princely Mysore State as the then Mysore Maharaja Jayachamaraja Wadiyar agreed to the demand for installation of a responsible Government.

He (Mayor) further said that the MCC would install plaques containing all information on Ramaswamy at the Circle.

Girish Director of Jeevadhara Blood Bank, who also spoke, said that "Jeevadhara was ready for sponsoring the MCC's plans for the development of the Circle."

BJP leader and former IPS Officer N. Bhaskar Rao, District Brahmin Association President D.T. Prakash, Corporator Pramila Bharath, former Corporators M.D. Parthasarathy and Jagadish, writer Pushpa Iyengar, Yuva Bharat Sanghatane leader Ajay Shastri, KMPK Trust President Vikram Iyengar, Charan, K.R.S.Vijaykumar, Vighneshwar Bhat, Venkatram, Prahlad Rao, Sucheendra, Sharath Bhandari, Byrathi Lingaraju, Suraj, Sadashiva and Chandru were present.

Mysuru Ganesha Utsava-2023 concludes with Music and 'Harate' programmes

Vid. Harish Pandav on saxophone and Tumkur Yashaswee on violin giving a music concert at Madhava Krupa, JLB Road, Lakshmipuram, yesterday as part of Mysuru Ganesha Utsava-2023 organised by Mysuru Dharmika Pratishtana. Picture below shows Hiremagaluru Kannan** (centre)**, flanked by Nagashree Chikkamagalur and Dr. Srinivasa Shetty, entertaining the audience at the same venue with 'Harate' programme last evening. The festival concluded today with Mahapuje and Ganesha idol immersion.

Vid. Vishnudev Namboothiri performs at 8th Cross Ganesha Pandal

Vid. Vishnudev Namboothiri presenting a vocal recital yesterday as part of the 62nd Heritage Music Festival organised by Sri Prasanna Vidya Ganapathi Mahotsava Charitable (SPVGMC) Trust, Mysuru, at 8th Cross Ganesha Pandal, V.V. Mohalla. He is accompanied by Vid. Karthik Nagaraj on violin, Vid. V.V. Ramanamurthy on mridanga and Vid. Amruth on kanjira. Picture below shows a section of music connoisseurs.

Writer calls for taking pride in having a Hindu Rashtra

Writer Dr. Ajakkala Girish Bhat inaugurating a programme organised by Manthana Mysuru at the Institution of Engineers-India (IEI) on JLB Road in city yesterday as others look on.

Mysuru, Sept. 24 (SPN&DM)- Writer Dr. Ajakkala Girish Bhat opined that all Hindus must take pride in having a Hindu Rashtra as all other religions have the country of their own.

He was speaking on the subject 'Hindutva-Bahutva' organised by Manthana Mysuru at the Institution of Engineers-India (IEI) on JLB Road here yesterday.

Noting that there are many epics in Hindu religion which covers many castes and communities, Bhat said that everyone should understand what actually is Dharma. Maintaining that Hindutva and Sanathana Dharma are one and the same, he stressed on the need for understanding it in the right way. Pointing out that Dharma is all about teaching what is good and the rules and norms of it, he opined that Dharma is everything what is not 'Adharma'.

Noting that Hindutva and Bahutva is one of the most debatable topic today, he said that this is one of the most ideal concept. Asserting that Hindu, Hindutva and Hinduism in not Dharma, he observed that it is a way of life, which even the Supreme Court has said more than once.

"There are many Gods, practices, traditions, beliefs etc., in Hindu Dharma. The very essence of Hinduism in bringing together the systems of life. Even Islam, Christian and other religions too propagate the life system," he said.

He further asserted that all castes have the spiritual freedom and get opportunities for excelling in spiritualism only because Hindutva has Bahutva in it.

Vijaya Vittala Educational Institutions Hon. Secretary and RSS leader R. Vasudev Bhat and others were present.

Science Expo at Kodagu Model School concludes

Career counsellor Prof. Shankar Bellur addressing the gathering during the career guidance programme at Kodagu Model School in Vidyashankarnagar, Mysuru, yesterday. Picture right shows retired Chief Scientist from CFTRI Kollegala Sharma conducting Foldscope Live Workshop at the School this morning.

Mysuru, Sept. 24 (PM,MTY& KS)- "One can get success in any profession if they have the skill to solve problems and creativity," opined author, global career counsellor, corporate trainer and career mentor Prof. Shankar Bellur.

He was speaking at the career guidance programme on 'What after 10th and 12th - How to make a right choice for a successful career,' organised as part of the two-day Science Exhibition at Kodagu Model School of Sri Kavery Kodava Association (Mysuru East) at Vidyashankarnagar here yesterday afternoon.

"Parents should inspire the students on the profession their children select for their future. Our education should not be limited only to anxiety but also to gain knowledge and skills. There is a need for those with knowledge of solving problems and hence one should be capable of knowing the problem, solving it and take leadership role," Prof. Shankar Bellur suggested.

Pointing out that a report released in 2018 by World Economic Forum stated that 52 percent of jobs would be taken over by robots in two to three years, Prof. Shankar said that only 48 percent of jobs will be there for human beings and hence it is important to know the problems being faced in the job sector and prepare ourselves.

"Arts subject has been given importance in Delhi University; hence every subject has its own importance. It is wrong to term someone as 'dull' if he or she has not scored well in Maths and Science subjects. There are multifaceted dimensions for wisdom and we should look where our wisdom lies. At present, importance is given to Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) in jobs and now arts subject is included," he said.

Foldscope Live Workshop

Kollegala Sharma, retired Chief Scientist from CFTRI, conducted a live workshop on 'Foldscope - Learn to assemble and form an innovative paper microscope' at the school on the 2nd day of Science Exhibition this morning. He said that learning science was not limited within the four walls of a school and added that one can learn science in house and outside as well.

Stating that according to a report, there was severe shortage of rainfall in South India since a few decades, Sharma said that global warming was the main cause for it and warned of huge problems in future if mankind does not understand the effects of global warming. "In Bengaluru, underground water is pumped out more than what the earth has absorbed. It will lead to shortage of underground water and people will face shortage of water for drinking and other purposes. Hence water should be used very judiciously," he opined.

Pointing out that there are microscopes in every college, which is kept in the laboratory, the retired Chief Scientist said that students are not allowed to touch it because the microscope is adjusted to view the microorganisms and slight touch can change the adjustments.

Microscope cannot be carried everywhere, hence Foldscope is manufactured to have a look at the microbes on the spot and then take samples to the lab for testing, Kollegala Sharma said.

Sri Kavery Kodava Association (Mysuru East) Secretary K.M. Belliappa, Vice-President P.K. Ramesh Bopaiah, School Education Council Member Dr. K.S. Muthamma, students (8th to 10th standard) and parents took part in the workshop.

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A.S. Ponnanna

N.U. Nachappa

Madikeri, Sept. 24 (PS& BCT)- Addressing a long-standing demand of the Kodava community, the Karnataka Cabinet yesterday stamped its approval for the official use of 'Kodava / Kodavaru' on caste certificates and all other documents, replacing the previous 'Kodagaru' designation or classification.

The State Government has endorsed the recommendations put forth by the Karnataka Backward Classes Commission. The Commission's recommendations include the usage of 'Kodava' and 'Kodavaru' in Kannada and 'Kodava' and 'Kodavaru' in English, a departure from the earlier 'Kodagaru' designation.

The Karnataka High Court had directed the State Government on December 16, 2021, to adopt the 'Kodava' and 'Kodavaru' terminology as suggested by the Backward Classes Commission. This directive came as a response to a petition filed by the Codava National Council (CNC), with Justice Krishna S. Dixit issuing the order.

Soon after the Congress Government came to power, the issue was taken up at the Government level by Virajpet MLA A.S. Ponnanna, who is also the Legal Advisor to Chief Minister Siddharamaiah. Ponnanna, during his election campaign, had promised to fight for the change as the community had been demanding it for many years.

This decision by the Cabinet represents a significant victory for the CNC and its President, N.U. Nachappa, who had been advocating for this change for over a decade. With a change in Government in the State, Nachappa and other CNC members along with Ponnanna met the Chief Minister to reiterate their demand for 'Kodavaru' to be included in the Caste Certificate. Nachappa emphasised that the use of 'Kodagaru' in the past had adverse effects on Kodava cultural and social values.

"We are happy that the Government has approved our long-pending demand as we have been fighting for it since 2008. The CNC had appealed to the Karnataka Backward Classes Commission Secretary to modify the Caste Certificate issued under Category 3a. Responding to our plea, the CM brought the matter before the Cabinet, which approved the use of 'Kodava' and 'Kodavaru' in Caste Certificates, replacing the earlier 'Kodagaru' designation," Nachappa said.

"This Cabinet decision has exposed the earlier elected representatives of Kodagu, who had evaded their responsibility regarding the issue for years as they had consistently argued that the matter fell under the purview of the Central Government and was beyond the State Government's jurisdiction. The CNC will thank MLA Ponnanna, CM Siddharamaiah, Backward Classes Minister Shivaraj Tangadagi, Dr. Dwarakanath and Dr. Jayaprakash Hegde, of the Backward Classes Commission, Justice Krishna S. Dixit, Advocate Ballachanda Belliappa, volunteers of CNC and the Kodava community," Nachappa added.

Grandma Home & Hunger-Free World Project

Malabar Group CSR initiatives launch at Bengaluru on Sept. 26

Bengaluru, Sept. 24- Malabar Charitable Trust, in association with Daya Rehabilitation Trust, will be inaugurating its two significant social service initiatives in Karnataka — 'Grandma Home' and 'Hunger-Free World' at Hosakerehalli, Banashankari 3rd Stage, Bengaluru, on Sept. 26 at 11.30 am.

By providing shelter, food, clothing and medical assistance, the 'Grandma Home' initiative sets up a safe haven for elderly women in Bengaluru. 'Hunger-Free World' campaign, aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal to (Zero Hunger), aims to distribute packed daily meals to those in need and contribute to global fight against hunger and poverty. Apart from these, Malabar Group will be announcing scholarships to academically brilliant female students, on the occasion.

'Grandma Home' will be inaugurated by Lakshmi Hebbalkar, Minister of Department of Women and Child Development, Disabled and Senior-Citizens Empowerment. 'Hunger-Free World' Project will be launched by N.A. Haris, MLA.

Asher Ottamoochikkal, Managing Director, India Operations, Malabar Gold and Diamonds, will deliver welcome speech. M.P. Ahammed, Chairman, Malabar Group, will deliver presidential speech. Project Presentation by Dr. V. Idrees, Chairman, Thanal, Daya Rehabilitation Trust. Scholarship Announcement by R. Ashoka, MLA. Felicitation - Ashwini Puneeth Rajkumar, film producer. Vote of thanks by B.P. Filsor Babu, Regional Head - Karnataka.

Ramakrishna Ashram Swamijis meet Deputy Chief Minister

Sri Ramakrishna Ashram Mysuru President Swami Muktidanandaji Maharaj, Swami Bodhaswarupananda from Halasuru Centre in Bengaluru, Swami Bhavarupananda and Prakash Mathihalli met Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar at his Sadashivanagar residence yesterday to discuss the construction of the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Youth Centre in Mysuru.

Dasara 2023 to avoid extravagance

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These stakeholders had initially welcomed the plan by the Dasara High Power Committee to host a grand festival. However, they argued that labels such as 'Simple Dasara' could lead to confusion among tourists visiting Mysuru, potentially deterring them and negatively impacting the local economy.

District Minister Dr. Mahadevappa explained, "Certain Dasara events will be discontinued to reduce costs and in addition to the 195 taluks, we are declaring an additional 30 taluks out of the total 237 in Karnataka as drought-hit. Given these circumstances, the Government has deemed it necessary to celebrate Dasara in a traditional manner." He emphasised that the celebrations would avoid extravagance and highlighted the need to secure more sponsors for the programs and lighting arrangements. Furthermore, he directed officials to ensure that all Dasara events resonate with the rich tradition, heritage, culture and customs of the region, conveying meaningful messages to the public.

The Dasara poets' meet will revolve around topics such as the protection of the Constitution, democracy and the unification of Karnataka. The Dasara Film Festival will also feature films with social messages, aiming to inspire and motivate young directors. Short film competitions will be organised to nurture emerging talent, according to Dr. Mahadevappa.

Regarding Yuva Dasara, the Minister explained that it would feature only local artists to curb expenditure. While Yuva Dasara typically draws a large crowd, the cost of engaging premium performing artists is a significant concern for organisers every year.

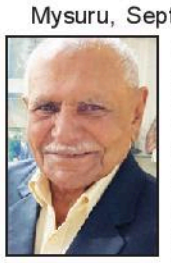
Ensuring hygiene at all Dasara event venues is a top priority, alongside offering quality food items, particularly traditional Indian cuisine, at the Dasara Ahara Mela (food festival). This year's Dasara celebrations are committed to being plastic-free, aligning with environmental conservation efforts.

Deputy Commissioner Dr. K.V. Rajendra expressed his enthusiasm for the historic Mysuru Dasara, expecting people from across the country and around the world to witness the spectacle. He underscored the importance of providing adequate parking facilities during the festival and ensuring that all Dasara-related stalls open on the inaugural day at the Dasara Exhibition.

City Police Commissioner B. Ramesh, MCC Commissioner Ashaad-ur-Rahman Shariff, SP Seema Latkar, ZP CEO K.M. Gayathri and others were present.

Obituary

Chottanda Uthappa



Mysuru, Sept. 24- Chottanda Uthappa (93), a resident of No. 2808, 2nd phase, behind Canara Bank in Vijayanagar 4th Stage, passed away this morning in city.

He leaves behind his son Chengappa, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites will be held at Mukthidhama in Vijayanagar 4th Stage at 6 pm today, according to family sources.

K. Rajashekaran Chettiar

K. Rajashekaran Chettiar (81), an industrialist and a resident of Brindavan Extension, passed away this morning in city. He leaves behind his wife, two sons, two daughters, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites will be held tomorrow (Sept. 25) at Hunsur.

Arokiya Mary

Arokiya Mary (56), a resident of No. 31, 12th Cross, St. Mary's Road in N.R. Mohalla, passed away this morning in city. She leaves behind two daughters and a host of relatives and friends. Funeral will be held tomorrow (Sept. 25) at 10.30 am at Gandhinagar Cemetery on Mahadevapura Road.

R.S. Satyavathi

R.S. Satyavathi (Meenakshi), wife of late R.V. Shankar, passed away at a private Hospital in Bengaluru last night following prolonged illness. She was 79.

A resident of Krishnamurthypuram, 5th cross in city, she leaves behind two sons R.S. Ramesh and R.S. Satyanarayan and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill this afternoon, according to family sources.

Udusalamma Devi Utsavamurthy to arrive in city tomorrow

Mysuru, Sept. 24 (TRR) - Udusalamma Devi Utsavamurthy of Neralu village, Tiptur taluk, Tumkur district will arrive at 7 pm tomorrow at Sri Rama Mandira, Jayanagar in city, said President of Jayanagar Sri Rama Mandira Arun Sharma, in a press release.

Udusalamma Devi Utsavamurthy, is coming to Mysuru for the first time.

Special puja and procession will be held for three hours to mark the occasion. Devotees and the general public are requested to participate in the event.

KSOU Q-paper scam

Leak source traced to Chamarajanagar

One person who first shared the Q-paper in PDF format taken into custody

Mysuru, Sept. 24 (RK&BS)- In a major breakthrough in the case of question paper sales racket at Karnataka State Open University (KSOU), Mysuru, the City Crime Branch (CCB) sleuths have traced the source of question paper leak to Chamarajanagar Exam Centre.

During investigation, CCB personnel have unearthed that, it was from Chamarajanagar Exam Centre that the paper of 'Computer in Business' subject in PDF format was shared on WhatsApp among the students. The investigators who traced the source of leak through technical investigation, later visited Chamarajanagar Exam Centre yesterday and also took the person who had sent the question paper on WhatsApp into their custody, besides seizing the documents.

It has also emerged during the probe that, after the paper was leaked from Chamarajanagar Centre, the PDF format of the paper was also leaked from Mangaluru Study Centre. Acting on the clues gathered on the basis of call detail records of cell phone, the investigators have taken several persons related to the case into their custody and inquiring them.

As is the procedure, barring the Registrar (Evaluation) of KSOU, who is responsible to conduct the exams of all Degree, Post-Graduate and Diploma courses, along with preparing the question papers, evaluation and announcement of results, the role of Vice-Chancellor, Registrar (Administration) and Dean is restricted to just supervising the process.

Following this, it has become clear for CCB men during the course of preliminary investigation that the question paper couldn't have been shared on WhatsApp without coming to the notice of Registrar (Evaluation), who is authorised to rope in the senior Professors to prepare the question paper.

As the probe gets deeper with the use of technology, it is learnt that, the question papers were sold extensively by using out-sourced and temporary staff of KSOU. It is suspected that, including the question paper of 'Computer in Business' subject, the question papers of all other Degree courses, of all the years have also been sold.

Following the unravelling of the scam, some of the persons have deleted WhatsApp chats, while some others have destroyed their mobile SIM cards.

CCB sleuths visited the Administrative Office, Pareeksha Bhavan and Registrar (Evaluation) Office at Muktagangothri campus of KSOU yesterday too and collected the information related to exam process, those related to preparation of question papers, printing press, conditions agreed upon to maintain secrecy and related information.

CCB Officers will be visiting Mangaluru tomorrow (Sept. 25), where they will be inspecting Regional Centre there.

The CCB is preparing to take suspects into custody with the help of local Police and inquire them, it is said.

Woman's gold chain, Rs. 4,000 cash stolen in city bus

Mysuru, Sept. 24 (RK&KS)- An unidentified woman has been suspected of stealing a 40 gram gold chain and Rs. 4,000 cash belonging to a woman, who was travelling in a city bus to Bogadi on Thursday. The woman, who lost her valuables, is Sudha, wife of Mallikarjuna and a resident of Palahalli in Srirangapatna taluk.

Sudha, who came in a city bus from Palahalli to City Bus Stand to attend the death rituals of a relative, boarded a city bus to Bogadi. Meanwhile, a lady carrying a baby also boarded the bus and handed over the baby to Sudha, who was seated and stood next to her. When the bus stopped at AIISH Bus Stop, the lady took the baby and alighted from the bus.

Sudha, who wanted to get down at Harsha Bar stop, took a look at her purse and found the zip half opened.

On inspecting the purse, she found Rs. 4,000 cash kept in it missing and also the 40 gram gold chain she was wearing missing and immediately informed the bus conductor and the driver.

As the conductor and the driver did not bother to help her, Sudha got down at Harsha Bar stop and called her relatives over the phone and with their help lodged a complaint at Saraswathipuram Police Station.

The Police, who collected the bus ticket from Sudha, registered a case and took her to the bus stops where she and the unidentified woman got down. The Police conducted spot mahazar and collected footages of CCTV cameras installed near the bus stop.

A tribute

IAF Veteran Sergeant M.N. Subramani

Service Before Self

By Maj.Gen. (Retd.) S.G. Vombatkere

Mandetira Nanayya Subramani (M.N. Subramani) passed away in Mysuru on Sept. 21, 2023, a day when day and night were equal. This coincidence seems significant, given Subramani's unwavering dedication to the principles of equality and justice, a commitment few could match.

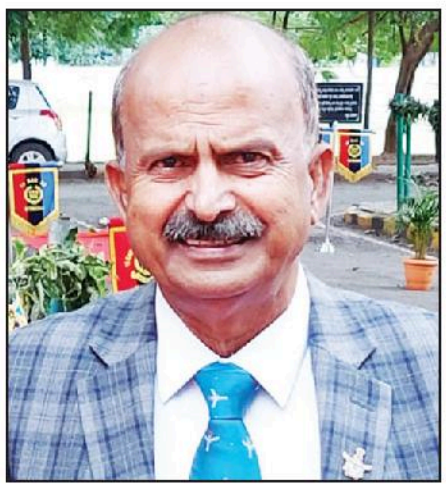
I first had the privilege of meeting Subramani shortly after my retirement in 1996. Our initial encounter was related to the newsletter he published, which provided updates to ex-servicemen on Ministry of Defence policies affecting their welfare and entitlements. It was during this time that I learned about his remarkable personal background and his service in the Armed Forces, which compelled me to write about his life and accomplishments in greater detail.

Born in Madikeri on Feb. 13, 1956, Subramani was the son of Gangavva and Lance Naik Mandetira Nanayya, a Second World War Veteran. He joined the Indian Air Force in 1974 as an Airman and eventually rose to the rank of Sergeant.

While serving, Subramani pursued his education through night college, earning degrees in B.Com, M.Com. and LLB from Delhi, Rajasthan and University of Mysore, respectively.

During his military service, Sgt. Subramani observed that many retired Armed Forces personnel struggled with post-retirement issues, including pension matters, medical treatment and other entitlements. Motivated by his own education, he resolved to assist ex-servicemen with these challenges.

In 1989, after retiring from the Indian Air Force (IAF), Subramani settled in Mysuru. To supplement his modest pension as a Sergeant and support his young children, Sitara and Sooraj, he took on a job as a commerce lecturer in State Government PU Colleges. His wife, Shakunthala, also took up teaching in schools. After college hours, Subramani dedicated himself to addressing the problems faced by ex-servicemen and widows, often working late into the night. These issues primarily revolved around securing employment in civilian life and rectifying errors in their military records, which could later affect entitlements or inheritance rights.



Mandetira N. Subramani

Many ex-servicemen, especially those retiring as 'Ex-Jawans,' face these difficulties at a young age, typically between 32 and 38, when family responsibilities are at their peak. They often lack the knowledge and means to navigate bureaucratic processes, access official authorities, or even stay informed about policy changes that might affect their benefits. This lack of support can lead to severe hardships, especially for their widows. **To provide more efficient assistance to ex-servicemen, Sgt. Subramani established the "VeKare Ex-Servicemen Trust" on Aug. 15, 1990, dedicated to his father's memory.** The Trust operated on his pension and personal savings, occasionally supplemented by his devoted wife, Shakunthala.

Collaboration across India

Subramani collaborated closely with Armed Forces Record Offices across the country, tirelessly pursuing officers through various means, including registered letters, phone calls, emails, and, more recently, WhatsApp, to resolve veterans' and widows' cases. He even escalated matters to the Armed Forces Headquarters and the Ministry of Defence and the Government of Karnataka when necessary.

These are the real-life challenges that ex-servicemen and their widows face due to limited access to official channels, lack of awareness, and financial constraints. Sgt. Subramani bridged this vital gap.

Over three decades, he brought relief and support to hundreds of veterans and widows, including veteran officers and their widows and next-of-kin. **Sgt. Subramani earned a reputation as the "go-to man" within the ex-servicemen community, and people turned to him whenever they encountered difficulties.**

On a single call, he would rush to assist injured ex-servicemen, arranging immediate medical treatment and notifying military authorities, essential for financial coverage. In the event of an ex-serviceman's passing, he facilitated last rites and provided guidance on the documentation required for family pensions.

Moreover, Sgt. M.N. Subramani took on policies affecting the welfare and benefits of ex-servicemen at both the Central and State Government levels, as well as with Armed Forces Headquarters. His efforts resulted in the rectification or amendment of several policies, bringing justice and benefits to ex-servicemen and widows.

Elevating status of veterans

Additionally, Sgt. Subramani initiated efforts to elevate the image and status of Armed Forces Veterans. **He played a pivotal role in naming the Mysuru Department of Sainik Welfare & Resettlement Office building as "Squadron Leader A.B. Devaya Bhawan" in memory of Indian Air Force martyr Sqn. Ldr. A.B. Devaya, MVC (Posthumous).**

In October 2000, he took the initiative to propose an Armed Forces War Memorial in Mysuru by writing to the District Administration, ultimately securing a designated plot for it.

Today, 23 years later, his vision is becoming a reality, with substantial progress made. When completed, this memorial will honour the sacrifices of Armed Forces personnel who gave their lives in service to our nation, although Subramani will not be present to witness its consecration.

Sgt. Subramani also addressed the exclusion of Mysuru's Armed Forces Veterans from Republic Day Parade organised by the civil administration. Thanks to his efforts, senior Armed Forces veterans are now officially invited to these events.

Virajpet MLA Ajjikuttira S. Ponnanna called on Mrs. Mandetira Shakunthala Subramani at her house in Vijayanagar this morning and expressed his condolences. Late Subramani's son Sooraj Nanaiah is also seen.

Deep concern for nature

In addition to his dedication to ex-servicemen, Sgt. Subramani demonstrated a deep concern for nature and the environment. **In 2018, he funded the planting of approximately 2,000 tree saplings in Vijayanagar 3rd Stage.** Even earlier, while teaching at Government PU College for Girls, Mysuru, he founded an Eco-Club that encouraged students to plant saplings in the college premises.

He also cultivated a half-acre of coffee plantation in the adjacent vacant land. His commitment to environmental causes was evident to those who knew him.

In recognition of his tireless social service spanning over three decades, Sgt. Subramani's name was nominated for the Karnataka Rajyotsava Award in 2022.

Throughout his work, his wife Shakunthala provided unwavering and compassionate support. Sgt. Subramani dedicated his time, attention, knowledge, abilities, and personal finances to help veterans and widows with issues related to succession, pension, entitlements and personal matters. **He was an extraordinary problem-solver who demonstrated remarkable drive, focus, and tenacity, particularly when advocating for veterans.**

It has been an honour to know Mandetira Nanayya Subramani, a proud son of Mysuru and a true benefactor of the ex-servicemen fraternity.

Aum Shanthi!

World Coffee Conference in Bengaluru from tomorrow

Bengaluru, Sept. 24 (BCT)- Bengaluru, often hailed as the coffee capital of India, is set to host the Fifth Edition of the World Coffee Conference (WCC 2023) from Sept. 25 to 28, at the Bangalore Palace. This year's overarching theme revolves around 'Sustainability through Circular Economy and Regenerative Agriculture.'

The conference is a collaborative effort by the International Coffee Organisation (ICO), the Coffee Board of India, the Ministry of Commerce and Industry of the Government of India, the Government of Karnataka, and key players in the coffee industry. A notable addition to this year's event is the appointment of tennis player and Arjuna awardee, Rohan Bopanna, as the brand ambassador for WCC 2023 by the Coffee Board. The event marks a significant milestone as India and Asia prepare to host this prestigious global coffee gathering for the first time.

The World Coffee Conference, under the umbrella of the London-based ICO, established in 1963 under the auspices of the United Nations, aims to enhance the global economic importance of coffee. The previous editions of WCC were held in London (2001), Brazil (2005), Guatemala (2010) and Ethiopia (2016).

K.G. Jagadeesha, CEO and Secretary of the Coffee Board of India, emphasised the profound implications of Bengaluru's selection as the host city for WCC. He stated, "Hosting WCC is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for India, given that ICO encompasses 70 coffee-producing and consuming countries as its members."

The event is poised to significantly enhance India's presence and recognition in the global coffee markets. Coffee, valued at over 200 billion dollars, stands as the world's largest traded commodity, offering employment and livelihood to over 100 million families. Karnataka alone contributes to over 70 percent of India's total coffee production, with Bengaluru undisputedly holding the title of India's coffee capital, renowned for producing some of the world's finest coffee beans.

The conference presents a remarkable opportunity for investments spanning the entire coffee value chain, from bean to cup, encompassing coffee equipment, machines, soluble coffee brands and cafes. In turn, this will create employment prospects across coffee farms and cafes, the organisers said.

Govt. must hike honorarium of Scouts and Guides teachers

Mysuru, Sept. 24 (MTY&DM)- Bharat Scouts and Guides State Commissioner P.G.R Sindhia said that the Government should hike the honorarium being paid to Scouts and Guides teachers serving in Government Schools across Karnataka.

He was speaking at the one-day information workshop organised for officials of School Education and Literacy at Jayachamarajendra Scouts and Guides Centre behind the Old DC Office along Hunsur road here on Thursday.

Noting that trained Scouts and Guides teachers serving in Government Schools are being paid a monthly honorarium of Rs.250, Sindhia, who is also a former Minister, wanted the Government to hike this honorarium.

Pointing out that there are 6 lakh Scouts and Guides students and over 40,000 teachers in the State, he said that a memorandum has been submitted to the Government seeking a hike in honorarium. Stressing on the need for establishing Scouts and Guides wing in all Schools and Colleges, Sindhia opined that this will help in the making of Karnataka as a welfare State.

A Zonal-level meeting of Block Resource Persons (BRPs) of the Department of Public Instruction is being held shortly, he added. Scouts and Guides State Vice-President Geetha Nataraj, office-bearers B.K. Basavaraj, Gurumurthy, District Chief Commissioner P. Vishwanath, Commissioner Kaveramma, Nagesh Shivapura, Shivakumar and others were present.

Get ready for a thrilling ride on water

Fortnight-long water sports planned during Dasara festival; no decision yet on venue – Varuna Lake or KRS backwaters

A file photo of jet ski ride.

Mysuru, Sept. 24 (TRR)- With less than a month left for Dasara festival to begin on Oct. 15, several plans are on to make the annual event more attractive, with adventure sports including water and land-based events, among them.

It may be either at Varuna Lake on Mysuru - T. Narasipur road in the outskirts or KRS backwaters, to keep the spirit of tourists, giving the much-needed impetus to tourism development during the annual fest.

The Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports has taken a step in this regard in association with General Thimayya National Academy of Adventure (GETHNAA), Bengaluru.

The Department of Tourism is already conducting adventure sports in Varuna Lake throughout the year. Several water sports are already being organised for the last two years by a firm which has bagged the tender.

The officials of Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports have already inspected both the venues. They will deliberate about more suitable venue among the two, especially where people can enjoy to the hilt. Some of them have zeroed in on KRS backwaters as a better choice and if it happens, KRS backwaters will have the pride of hosting the event for the fifth year. Public can enjoy the thrill for 15 days from the second week of October, it is said.

Water sports lovers can enjoy parasailing, water jet, canoeing and wind surfing. In addition, they can also feel the thrill on jet ski ride, rafting and banana ride with the help of instructors and more exciting speed boat and banana ride with six people on board. While seven can take rafting at a time, one or two can take kayaking at a time. Every participant will be provided life jackets.

Land-based adventure

Land-based adventure sports like hill climbing and artificial wall climbing, climbing with rope and other contests are being planned at various venues in the city. Earlier, adventure sports were organised for children at a small level, in addition to hockey, wrestling and boxing events. Children used to be taken to hills and introduce them to the surrounding environment like natural resources, trees, plants, animals, birds and insects. However, such programmes have disappeared in the recent times. Competitions like these which kindle children's interests need to be reintroduced again.

"It has been proposed to organise water sports either at Varuna Lake or KRS backwaters. Both the venues have already been inspected and a decision about the venue will be taken after discussing with the higher ups of the Department," said Assistant Director, Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports Bhaskar Naik, also the Secretary of Dasara Sports Sub-Committee.

Win My Luv, Sheeba and *Tehani* win Betway Mysore Races

Pic. 1: ***K.V. Parikshith, Member of the Managing Committee, presenting 'The Dr. M.A.M. Ramaswamy Trophy' to Neil B. Devaney, Trainer of 'Win My Luv' which won the races on the 6th day of The Betway Mysore (Monsoon) Races 2023 held at Mysore Race Club (MRC) premises on Sept. 22. The winning horse, owned by Dr. Suresh Chintamaneni, was ridden by Jockey G. Vivek. Others seen are MRC Chairman, Stewards and Committee Members.*** *Pic. 2:* ***Dinesh Kumar Soman, Managing Director of Original Vel Sporting News, presenting 'The Original Vel Racing Trophy' to Anil Viswanatha Poduval, owner of 'Sheeba' which won the races on the 6th day of The Betway Mysore (Monsoon) Races 2023 held at MRC premises on Friday. The winning horse, trained by Feroz M. Khan, was ridden by Jockey Y.S. Srinath.*** *Pic. 3:* ***Girish Baliga, President, The Karnataka Race Horse Owners' Association, presenting 'The Karnataka Race Horse Owners' Association Mysore 1000 Guineas (Gr.3)' trophy to Dr. Cyrus S. Poonawalla and S.R. Sanas, owners of 'Tehani' which won the races on the 6th day of The Betway Mysore (Monsoon) Races 2023 held at MRC on Friday. The winning horse, trained by S.S. Attaollahi, was ridden by Jockey Akshay Kumar. [Owners of 'Tehani': Dr. Cyrus S. Poonawalla and Adar C. Poonawalla, rep. Villoo Poonawalla Racing & Breeding Pvt. Ltd., Mukul A. Sonawala and D.R. Thacker, rep. DT Racing & Breeding LLP and S.R. Sanas].***

WORD OF THE DAY

Orotund

Pronunciation: OR-uh-tund.
Meaning: Orotund is a formal word used as a synonym of sonorous to describe something — usually a voice — marked by fullness, strength, and clarity of sound. It can also be used disapprovingly to mean "pompous" or "bombastic."
Origin: An experiment: first breathe in deeply, then try to sing the strongest, lowest note that you can, at the utmost floor of your register. How lovely. Now, what vowel did you sing for your one-syllable song? We'll bet you a skillet full of bacon it was o. Why? Shaping one's mouth into an o-shape is pretty much a surefire way to produce an orotund or resonant sound, that is, one that is full, strong, and loud. Try the same exercise with a long e sound, as in sleep, and see (or hear) what we mean. Orotund comes from the Latin phrase ore rotundo, literally meaning "with round mouth." It was adopted into English in the late 18th century to describe the strength of one's vocal delivery but has since picked up an additional sense of "pompous" or "bombastic" to describe inflated speech that may be full of sound and fury, yet signifies nothing.

THE ODD WORD

Obmutescent

Speechless; persistently silent.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Over the top

Meaning: The phrase 'Over the top' is used when a goal or quota has been surpassed, or when something is outrageously overdone or too extreme.
Origin: During the First World War, the phrase 'Over the top' was used to describe infantrymen emerging from the relative safety of their trenches to attack their enemies across open ground. An early example of the term in print comes from a 1916 edition of War Illustrated: "Some fellows asked our captain when we were going over the top."
Example: "Her fundraising campaign went over the top by $5,000."

QUOTE BOX

The top of one mountain is always the bottom of another.

—Marianne Williamson

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

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CUT CUT CUT

Answer: A cut above the rest.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Brown-capped boletus mushroom - "EPC" anagram?
4 U.F.O. pilots
7 ___ and Garba : folk dances from Gujarat?
10 Labour assn.
11 San ___ : Italian city?
13 Poet Ogden
14 Ordinary citizen
16 Inquisitive
17 Worship extravagantly
19 Gifted
21 African tribe
24 "Cad I" make into a judge ?
25 Gaol (slang)
27 Double-reeds
29 Delicacy from the Middle East?
30 Favourite; in vogue?
33 Tracks of wheels in soft earth
34 Tiny ___ : a young one?
35 Without warning
38 Pen something for somebody, should we say? (5,2)
39 Water in Latin
42 Stoutly partisan
46 Belonging to you and me?
47 Fitzgerald of scat
48 Actress ___ Peeples
49 Local Area Network
50 Walsh and O'Neill
51 Greenwich Mean Time

WEDNESDAY'S ANSWER

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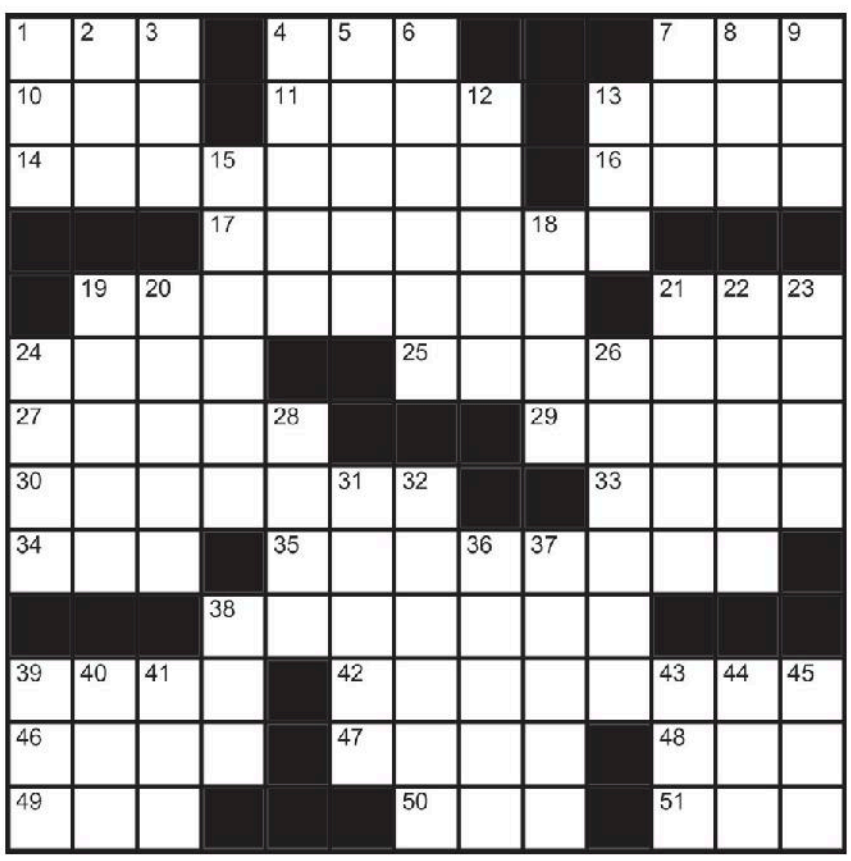
DOWN

1 President: abbr.
2 "Rockaria!" band
3 Pomeranian (dog) in short?
4 Eat away by constant friction
5 Piece of wood that fits into a mortise
6 Separates metal from ore
7 Ex-P.M. Narsimha ___
8 Balaam's beast
9 Not bold
12 Bay window
13 U-turn from SSW
15 Environment or surroundings
18 Pierre is its cap. (1,3)
19 Forbidden
20 Take up as one's own
21 Another word for 'inspire', used in the Prayer Book
22 ___ to it : gets there before another, in a way?
23 Celestial spheres or eyeballs
24 Egyptian Christian
26 To the ____ : right through?
28 Snide remark
31 A plant with aromatic seeds used in seasoning
32 Disconcert
36 Kentish area
37 Greek titan compelled to support the sky
38 Existed
39 Former US net giant: abbr.
40 As being (Latin)
41 Metal vase
43 Director __ Lee
44 Border
45 Make lace



SUDOKU

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					6		4	
	4		7				3	
2	6	8		4				1

Answer to previous puzzle

6	4	1	5	3	2	7	8	9
9	3	8	7	1	4	6	5	2
2	7	5	6	9	8	1	4	3
4	5	3	9	6	1	8	2	7
8	1	2	3	4	7	9	6	5
7	9	6	2	8	5	4	3	1
3	6	7	8	5	9	2	1	4
1	8	9	4	2	3	5	7	6
5	2	4	1	7	6	3	9	8

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

JRPQYGI ZNKIF NHQO DVIH DI JNGXIC NYG PMIRQF

RHM NETIZCPBIF RHM WGPHZPWQIF.

TODAY'S CLUE: D EQUALS W

Wednesday's Cryptoquip: What happens is not as important as how you react to what happens.

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Sapta Sagaradaache Ello (K)	(S-1)	1.10 pm, 7.10 pm, 10 pm
	(S-4)	4.15 pm
Jawan (H)	(S-1)	4 pm
	(S-4)	9.50 am, 1 pm, 7 pm, 10.15 pm
Tatsama Tadbhava (K)	(S-2)	11.30 am
Olave Mandhara 2 (K)	(S-2)	2 pm
Demon (Ta)	(S-2)	4.30 pm
Sukhee (H)	(S-2)	7 pm, 9.50 pm
Expend4bles (E)	(S-3)	11.30 am, 9.40 pm
The Nun II (E)	(S-3)	1.45 pm
The Great Indian Family (H)	(S-3)	4.30 pm, 7 pm

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Honeymoon in Bangkok (K)	(S-1)	1.30 pm
Dvandva (K)	(S-1)	4.20 pm
Bun Tea (K)	(S-1)	6.45 pm
Sapta Sagaradaache Ello (K)	(S-1)	9.15 pm
	(S-4)	1.45 pm, 4.45 pm
Jawan (H)	(S-2)	4.15 pm, 9.15 pm
	(S-3)	7 pm; (S-4) 10.30 am
The Nun II (E)	(S-3)	4.45 pm; (S-4) 7.35 pm

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The Nun II (E)	:	9.30 am, 4.20 pm
Expend4bles (E)	:	9.45 am, 2.50 pm, 5.20 pm 10.25 pm
The Great Indian Family (H)	:	10.00 am, 12.15 pm 3.40 pm, 7.30 pm, 9.50 pm
Sapta Sagaradaache Ello (K)	:	12.05 pm
Sukhee (H)	:	12.35 pm, 6.25 pm
Mark Antony (Ta)	:	3.10 pm, 9.30 pm
Tatsama Tadbhava (K)	:	7.45 pm

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Expend4bles (E)	:	9.55 am, 3pm, 5.30pm, 8pm, 10.30pm
Sapta sagaradaache Ello (K)	:	10.05 am, 4.40 pm
Olave Mandara 2 (K)	:	12.25 pm
The Nun II (E)	:	12.45 pm, 7.40 pm
Rani - The Real Story (Ma)	:	10.15 pm

EVENTS TODAY (SEPTEMBER 24)

- **Mysuru Veerashaiva Sajjana Sangha:** 48th annual Sri Swarna Gowri and Sri Varasiddhi Vinayaka Swami Puja Mahotsava, procession of Swarna Gowri and Vinayaka Swamy, Kanti Mallanna Kalyana Mandira, Kabir Road, **4 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram and Mysuru District Kannada Sahitya Parishat:** Seminar on Cardiologist Dr. S.P. Yoganna's book 'Adhyatmika Arogya Darshana,' Ashram President Sri Muktidanandaji graces the occasion, senior scholar Dr. Pradhan Gurudatta inaugurates, writer and Psychiatrist Dr. C.R. Chandrashekar and senior scholar Dr. G. Ramakrishna will speak about the book, Dr. S.P. Yoganna and Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal will be present, Ashram's auditorium, Yadavagiri, **4.30 pm.**
- **Anathalaya, Mysuru:** 179th Jayanthyotsava of M. Venkatakrishnaiah (Thathaiah), conferring of 'Sri M. Venkatakrishnaiah Prashasti' on Prof. Bhashyam Swamiji and 'Thathaiah Sri Phalanubhavi Sadhaka Prashasti' on Orthopedist Dr. H.G. Uday Shankar; senior journalist Ajith Hanamakkanavar delivers keynote address, Anathalaya President C.V. Gopinath presides, Anathalaya premises, Narayan Shastri Road, **4.30 pm.**
- **Sri Prasanna Vidya Ganapathi Mandali Charitable (SPVGMC) Trust, Mysuru:** 62nd Heritage Music Festival, 'Gokarna Mahima Darshana' Vachana by Radha Krishna Swaroopa of Hassan and Vyakhyana by Sowmyashree Srikanta of Tiptur, **5.30 pm;** Vocal recital by **Vidu. Aruna Sairam,** accompanied by Vidu. H.M. Smitha on violin, Vid. J. Vaidyanathan on mridanga and Vid. Giridhar Udupa on ghata, 8th Cross Ganesha Pandal, V.V. Mohalla, **6.45 pm.** [Mob: 98455-01178]

- **Nadavidyalaya Academy of Music and Dance, Hebbal:** Bharatanatyam Rangapravesha of H. Sushaini, disciple of Vidushi Mithra Naveen, Dance Direction, Choreography & Nattuvangam by Vidushi Mithra Naveen; Vidwan Naveen M.S. Andagar on vocal, Vidwan Nithish Ammannaya on flute, Vidwan G.S. Nagraj on mridanga and Dr. Bhuvaneshwari (compere) will accompany Sushaini, Sri Avadhootha Vinay Guruji of Sri Datta Ashrama, Gowri Gadde, T.S. Srivatsa, MLA, Dr. M.D. Sudarshan, Asst. Director, Kannada and Culture Department, Mysuru and Vidu. Nagashree Phaneendra Kumar, Director of Shree Nataraja Performing Arts Centre, Mysuru, guests of honour; RamaGovinda Rangamandira, Ramakrishnanagar, **5.30 pm.**
- **Gayana Sabha, Mysuru:** Duet music by renowned instrumentalists **Vidu. Geetha Ramanand** on veena (accompanied by Adamya Ramanand on mridanga) and **Sameer Rao** on bansuri (accompanied by Adarsh Shenoy on tabla), Ganabharathi's Veene Seshanna Bhavana, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**

- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru:** Swami Sarvajayanandaji speaks on 'Sri Sri Ramakrishna Charita,' Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **Indian Institute of Educational Theatre:** National Festival of Children's Theatre - T.P. Kailasam Day, Adults Performing for Children - Staging of plays 'Adbhutha Ramayana' (puppet show, Kannada - 75 minutes) and 'To Kill or Not to Kill' (Multilingual - 55 minutes), Kirurangamandira (Mini Theatre), Kalamandira premises, **7 pm;** Children Performing for Children - Yakshagana 'Veera Abhimanyu', Bhoomigeeta, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm;** Staging of play 'Hunkaroo' (Marwari - 80 minutes), Natana Rangashale, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm;** Valedictory of the National Festival of Children's Theatre, address by Sudhakar Rao, Kirurangamandira (Mini Theatre), Kalamandira premises, **6.30 pm.**
- **Mangalore Ganesh Beedi Works:** 55th Sri Ganeshotsava, Bhajan Sandhya programme by Pt. Upendra Bhat, Pune, **6.30 pm to 9 pm;** Muda Ganapathi Seve by Ganesha Bhajana Mandali, Mysuru, **8.45 pm;** Mahamangalarati with 108 arathi and Prasada Viniyoga, Govinda Rao Memorial Hall, Gowda Saraswata Brahmana Sabha premises, JLB Road, **9.15 pm.**
- **Ashtangayoga Vijnana Mandiram:** Discourse on 'Vidya Vibhagagalu' by Vid. U.J. Adarsha, Mandiram premises, No. 957, Sheshadri Iyer Road, Lakshmipuram, **7 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (SEPTEMBER 25)

- **All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH):** Inauguration of National Seminar on 'Early identification and intervention of communication disorders in children,' Dr. M. Jayaram, Professor and HoD of Speech Pathology & Audiology, SDUAHER, Kolar and Dr. S.N. Prashanth, Professor & HoD of Paediatrics, JSS Medical College, Mysuru, guests, Prof. P. Manjula, In-charge Director, AIISH, presides, Seminar Hall, Academic Block, AIISH, **9.30 am.**
- **Mangalore Ganesh Beedi Works:** Ganeshotsava, Gana Homa, **10 am;** Devotional songs by Manjunath Kamath and Mamatha Kamath, Mysuru, **10 am;** Purnahuti, Mahamangalarati & Annasantarpane, **1 pm;** Visarjane Puje & Procession, **6 pm;** Prasada Viniyoga, Govinda Rao Memorial Hall, Gowda Saraswata Brahmana Sabha, JLB Road, **9.30 pm.**
- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana:** 19th Edition of Bombe Mane — Display of exquisite dolls, Ramsons Bombe Mane, Nazarbad Main Road, **10 am to 7 pm.**
- **IQAC and Dept. of Commerce & Management, Vidyavardhaka First Grade College, Sheshadri Iyer Road:** One-day orientation programme on online certification courses for students, Dr. S. Ashwini, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Commerce, Govt. First Grade College, Talakadu, T. Narasipur, Mysuru, resource person, College auditorium, **11.30 am.**
- **Sri Prasanna Vidya Ganapathi Mandali Charitable (SPVGMC) Trust, Mysuru:** 62nd Heritage Music Festival, Bharatesha Vaibhava Vaachana by Vidu. Vasantha Venkatesh and Vyakhyana by A. Niranjan, **5.30 pm;** Flute Jugalbandi by Vid. Shashank Subramanya and Pandit Rakesh Chaurasia, accompanied by Vid. Giridar Udupa on ghata and Pt. Ojas on tabla, 8th Cross Ganesha Pandal, V.V. Mohalla, **6.45 pm.** [Mob: 98455-01178]
- **Rangayana, Mysuru:** Yakshagana 'Yaksha Ranga' under the guidance of Shylesh Thirthahalli of Yakshabhoomi - Yakshagana Study Centre, Thirthahalli, B.V. Karanth Rangachavadi, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**

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	(S-3)	6.50 pm
The Great Indian Family (H)	(S-4)	1.50 pm, 7.30 pm, 10 pm
Jawan (H)	(S-1)	10.40 am, 4.35 pm, 10.30 pm
	(S-2)	1.50 pm, 5.25 pm, 9 pm
	(S-3)	9.10 am, 12.45 pm
	(S-4)	10 am
The Expend4bles (E)	(S-1)	2.10 pm, 8.05 pm
	(S-3)	4.20 pm, 9.50 pm
Mark Antony (Ta)	(S-4)	4.20 pm

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Expend4bles (E)	:	11.30 am, 1.55 pm, 3.55 pm 8 pm, 10 pm
Sapta Sagaradaache Ello (K)	:	12.55 pm, 10.00 pm
Dvandva (K)	:	2.00 pm
Bun Tea (K)	:	4.35 pm
Aaraariraaro (K)	:	7.15 pm

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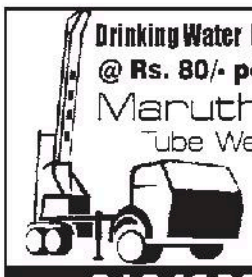

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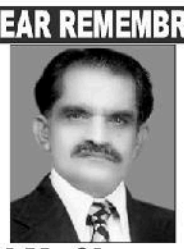

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